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Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated July 12, 2006, in which a three-month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on October 12, 2006, with the present response being filed by the two-month due date of September 12, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this Response.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this Response.